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AMERICAN NEWS.

The Chinese in San Francisco Unmanageable.

Portland Board of Trade Arranging an Excursion—Wife Murderer Suicides—Romance in the Nineteenth Century.

A Would-be Forger.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 7.—J. B. McDonnell, who was arrested yesterday for having a block from which fac-similes of Bank of England notes could be printed, came before Judge Hornblower to be examined on a charge of felony, but the case was continued until Tuesday next.

The Wicked Chinee.

Recent murders and frequent shooting affrays in Chinatown it appears have had little affect upon the Chinese who abide there. Last night an attempt was made to assassinate two Chinatown detectives and three police officers while they were searching a house. While the men were searching five more shots were fired at them, but fortunately without doing injury. A thorough search was made, but no one was captured. The attempted assassination is supposed to have been planned by highbinder societies against whom the detectives have been working of late. The Chinese consul general has had proclamations posted throughout Chinatown stating that the Chinese are incurring the displeasure of everybody by not surrendering the would-be murderers to justice. A reward of two thousand dollars has been offered for the murderer of the Chinaman killed on Friday night.

"Last Spike" Excursionists.

President Merry, of the Chamber of Commerce, is in receipt of a telegram from the President of the Tacoma Chamber of Commerce in which a request is made for the "Last Spike" excursionists to proceed to Tacoma and the Puget Sound country.

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The owners of the great ranche, De los Alamos, of 14,000 acres of farming and fruit land in Santa Barbara county announce to-day that the place will be sold about the 15th of January. It is known as the finest ranch in Southern California. The offer of $750,000 was recently refused.

Excursion.

Geo. F. Meyers, of the Portland Board of Trade, is in the city making arrangements for an excursion to visit that city.

Nineteenth Century Romance.

CLYDE, N. Y., Dec. 7.—John G. Manire, a wealthy middle-aged banker of Oakland, Cal., was married yesterday to Miss Mary West at the bride's home. Miss West was riding on the cars on the way home from Albany last June, and at Syracuse found she had lost her purse. The conductor refused to believe her story and was about to put her off when Manire paid her fare. After he reached Oakland he received a letter from Miss West enclosing the amount of the fare. Correspondence followed, and in three months he proposed and was accepted. The couple will visit in New York and then go direct to Oakland.

Wife Murderer Suicides.

WICHITA, Kansas, Dec. 7.—J. C. Johnson, a prominent real estate man, shot and killed his wife yesterday and then committed suicide at the residence of his father-in-law, Dr. Robert Black. The two were devoted to each other, but Johnson was of a jealous disposition. He has been sick and despondent of late. The family was wealthy so that no trouble of a financial nature can be assigned as the cause of the deed.

Terribly Burned.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 7.—Alex. Simm, employed as drayman to transport oil to the gas works, was terribly burned about the face and hands last evening by the explosion of the petroleum tank. He only saved himself from being burnt to death by leaping into a water trough.

Very Sad.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 7.—Eugene Bolware, a popular young man who has been clerking here for four or five years, left on Friday for his home in Fulton, Mo. His uncle died there recently and left him $10,000, which he was going after, and expected to return and go into business on his own account. A telegram today from St Louis to a friend here says that Bolware was killed yesterday in a railway collision while on his way home.

THE LAST SPIKE,

On the C. & O., will be Driven on the 13th.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—General Superintendent Fillmore, of the Southern Pacific Company states that owing to bad weather in the north the last spike ceremonies in connection with the completion of the California & Oregon railway, will be necessarily delayed from the 10th to the 13th.

FROM CHINA AND JAPAN.

Corea Declared an Independent State—Failure of Portuguese Treaty Negotiations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5.—China advices state that a fire occurred at Swatow a month ago in which about 800 houses were destroyed, the total loss amounting to $700,000.

The failure of Portuguese treaty negotiations was said to have been brought about by the viceroy of the two Kwangs, who has declared himself able to take and hold Macao without imperial assistance.

The Queen's jubilee was celebrated in Hong Kong November 9th. The decorations were very elaborate, and thousands of visitors were in the city to witness the ceremonies.

A correspondent in Tien-Tsin states that the Emperor of China, having ascertained that Corea will no longer forward annual tribute to China, has issued a decree in which he sets forth that with the view to causing a cessation of political difficulties arising out of China's claim to suzerain rights over the peninsular kingdom, Corea is declared an independent state, and the receipt of any further tribute is prohibited.

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The regular weekly meeting of the city council was held last night. Present: Mayor Fell, and Couns. Grant, Braden, Pearse, Higgins, Vigelius, Coughlan, Harris, Styles and Barnard.

The minutes of the last regular meeting were read and adopted, as were also the minutes of the special meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS.

From W. K. Bull, returning officer, presenting a statement of the result of the election of chief and assistant engineers and the number of votes cast for each candidate; received and filed.

From James Vair, asking if the Victoria fire department have an old hose-reel on hand which they can let the citizens of Kamloops have; referred to the firewardens with power to act.

From Mrs. Bellamy, appealing to the council with reference to her cows which are in pound and saying that she has no money with which to procure their release; referred to the pound committee with power to act.

From W. H. Mason, requesting, on behalf of the B. C. Benevolent Society, the sum of $25; also from the secretary of the Royal Hospital asking for the usual donation; granted.

MR. JOHNSON RESIGNS.

CITY HALL, Victoria, Dec. 7th, 1887.

To His Worship the Mayor in Council:

SIR,—With much regret, I have to communicate to the council my resignation of the offices of police magistrate and legal adviser, which I have had the honor to hold for the last three years. During this period my relations with the council and with the successive mayors presiding over it have been invariably of the most cordial and confidential character; and I only know from the newspapers and from casual remarks made to me that during the recent extraordinary internal dissensions in the council certain proceedings have been adopted in reference to my functions which, although not communicated in the usual way, I cannot ignore.

The first indication of this objectionable course of action was the taking of outside counsel's opinion upon an important question without first asking the advice of the appointed legal adviser. This was soon followed by the majority of the council rejecting an official opinion which I had given—not because the opinion was unsound, but because it impeded for the moment the course of action which they were impatient to pursue.

But a more serious matter is the adoption by the council, on Monday last, of a report of two councillors seriously reflecting upon the administration of justice in the police court. These two gentlemen, without a vestige of the necessary authority and powers, and contrary to every element of judicial knowledge or even of fair play, have been holding a travesty court of appeal from my court and their report is to the effect that my decision in a certain case was wrong because I did not adopt an absurd rule of evidence, laid down by them, which has never been adopted by any civilized country and never will be. As regards myself, personally, these matters might be overlooked. As soon as the approaching municipal elections are over, the harmonious relations between me and the Council would doubtless be restored. But I cannot allow the magisterial office, which has hitherto for many years past commanded the respect and confidence of the citizens, to be sullied while in my keeping; and I hope the course I am taking will have some good effect in securing the independence of my successor.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,
EDWIN JOHNSON.

Coun. Pearse said he was very sorry to hear the communication read, as Mr. Johnson had always done his duty as magistrate. He was also sorry that he had sat on the committee of inquiry. The committee had no right to inquire into the alleged shortcomings of the magistrate. He hoped that something would be done to make him reconsider his resignation. He moved to that effect, and Coun. Harris seconded.

Coun. Braden said that in his letter Mr. Johnson only referred to two councillors as having constituted the committee of inquiry. The councillor thought that Mr. Johnson meant him as one of them. His Worship and Coun. Pearse had sat on the inquiry. He said he was perfectly satisfied with the part he had taken in the matter and thought the Police Committee had done right.

Coun. Higgins referred to the first part of the communication and said he had nothing to do with the matter. About the Albion Iron Works contract he knew something. Mr. Johnson had been asked to fill in or make right whatever was wrong in the contract, and in place of that he wrote an opinion on it. So far as Mr. Johnson's resignation was concerned he could but express regret that he had taken such a step; but he could not agree with the opinion expressed by Coun. Pearse that the committee had done wrong in investigating the case. Mr. Johnson had been a very efficient officer and the councillor believed had always done his duty, although he may have made an error of judgment sometimes, but he (Coun. Higgins) could see nothing in the report of the police committee that would compel Mr. Johnson to take the course he had.

Coun. Grant said if the language used by Coun. Higgins about Mr. Johnson in his remarks had always been preserved by other councillors the resignation would not be before the board. He thought the whole trouble had arisen out of the now famous Walker case and felt that the first thing the committee should have done was to wait on Mr. Johnson. All who had had anything to do with that official had found him an affable gentleman, and he felt sorry that Mr. Johnson had taken this course. He hoped he would be asked to reconsider his resignation.

His worship said he was very sorry that Mr. Johnson had taken the step that he had, as he had always found him one of the best officials in the employ of the corporation. If Walker was convicted he brought it on himself as he knew who the right man was. Under the circumstances his worship would have taken the same course as Mr. Johnson if he had been magistrate, and he hoped that the magistrate would be asked to reconsider his resignation.

The motion was then put and carried. Couns. Higgins, Vigelius, Coughlan, Harris, Pearse, Braden and Grant aye, and Couns. Barnard and Styles nay.

Coun. Higgins said he would have liked to see the resolution carried unanimously for the reason that it would show Mr. Johnson that there was no ill-feeling existing in the matter. What had been done by the police committee was not done with a view to insult him. He (Coun. Higgins,) went into that committee without a particle of personal feeling. He had known Mr. Johnson for years and had found him a most honorable gentleman and since he had been on the council board the magistrate had been of great assistance to him in many things. The council had ordered the investigation and the committee had carried out their instructions. He regretted the resignation deeply, and he asked councillors to vote the resolution unanimously.

His Worship—You have all voted.

Coun. Coughlan said that he only voted in favor of the resolution to make it unanimous. His opinion was that when resignations are tendered they should be accepted.

Coun. Barnard said the reason he had voted nay was for the reason expressed by Coun. Coughlan.

Coun. Braden said there was nothing about police committee's report that referred in an insulting manner to Mr. Johnson.

Coun. Styles thought that the committee had done their duty in the matter and he wished it understood that there was no ill-feeling on his part towards Mr. Johnson. He was also of the same opinion as Coun. Coughlan.

From W. F. Bullen drawing the attention of the council to the fact that the contract for supplying a 16-inch main by the Albion Iron works, had not been executed.

Coun. Barnard said that as he had been away for some time he did not understand the purport of the letter. Was there a tender from the Albion Iron works and was that tender accepted?

His Worship—That last question I cannot answer although I believe a tender was accepted by the council in a sort of a way. You had better ask the clerk as I don't wish to talk about it.

Coun. Barnard—Mr. Clerk, was a tender from the Albion Iron works accepted?

The Clerk—Yes.

Coun. Barnard—And was His Worship instructed to put the seal of the corporation on the contract?

The Clerk—Yes, with Coun. Braden in the chair.

Coun. Barnard—And he refused? Well, your worship, can you explain to me why you refused?

His Worship—I won't explain anything here. I will explain all when you take me to the supreme court.

Coun. Barnard—Well, I think we had better take you there right away (laughter).

His Worship—Oh, yes; you're always going to do something.

Coun. Barnard—Your worship, I don't wish to hurt your feelings or do anything to displease you, but I will just move that a committee consisting of Couns. Harris, Coughlan and myself be appointed to compel you, by legal proceedings, to carry out the wishes of the council.

The motion was seconded and Coun. Pearse spoke at length, repeating his wish that the council should go before the people on the matter. It seems, said the councillor, that the report of Mr. Keefer was gotten up to pull the wool over the eyes of the people.

Coun. Coughlan—To pull the wool off them, Coun. Pearse.

Continuing, Coun. Pearse said that too much money had been spent already, and he would not be a party to spending any more until he was satisfied that the council was acting rightly. He would vote against the resolution to bring his worship before the supreme court.

Coun. Styles denounced the statement made by Coun. Pearse that there were some councillors who were trying to pull the wool over the eyes of the people, as being untrue and he was surprised that he should say so. He had always held the same views on the water question and now that the council had secured a report from Mr. Keefer, one of the most eminent engineers in the Dominion or even on the continent of America, he was more than ever satisfied that the Hendry scheme was an unfit one for the people.

Coun. Coughlan said that one of the most eminent engineers of the United States and Canada had favored the Summerfield scheme, but Coun. Pearse had condemned it and saw a great deal in a scheme that had been condemned by eminent authority. He (Coun. Pearse) had succeeded in pulling the wool over his own eyes.

Coun. Braden said that at the opening of the year he had suggested that the two schemes be placed before the people, but this was not done. After pulling the wool over his own eyes and fighting the council to the end of the year, Coun. Pearse now proposed that they come before the people with the present proposition, and this after the pipes had been contracted for. They would come before the people in a very short time in a general election and it would then be seen which scheme was endorsed.

Coun. Grant said that the scheme at present proposed would not cost less than $100,000 and probably $200,000. He had no objection to spending such an amount to secure a first-class water supply; but he did not think that the ratepayers should be kept in the dark as to its ultimate cost. There was not money at present in the treasury to allow the carrying out of the scheme, and until he was shown that there was he would oppose it. He believed that the steel main scheme would be carried out; but it was his, and every ratepayer's right, that he should be informed of the probable cost of carrying it to a successful completion. The course now followed was certainly not a business way in which to conduct the matter. Referring to Coun. Barnard's motion to compel the mayor to attach the seal, he thought legal advice should at first be secured to show whether they had power to compel the Mayor to attach the seal. He would not favor any expense towards compelling the Mayor to do so before being assured that they had power.

Coun. Barnard amended his motion by making it "that a committee of three take legal advice, and if advised favorably to taking it into the courts, to do so."

Coun. Grant suggested that it first be reported to the Council.

Coun. Higgins would ask the Water Commissioner what the cost of this contract with the Albion Iron Works would be?

Coun. Pearse said that the cost of the whole work should be made known—not only the cost of the pipes, but the completed work. They had the cost of certain portions of the work, but not what its ultimate cost would be.

The Mayor—If you have determined to go to the supreme court, what is the use of staying here all night.

Coun. Higgins—Well, Mr. Mayor, if you will not put the question I will ask the water commissioner.

His Worship—Coun. Higgins, you must ask all questions through me, and I will not ask the commissioner the question.

Coun. Higgins—Well, your worship, if you will not have light, I will not push the matter.

His Worship—Well, gentlemen, it has been stated that I have backed down, but you need not think I am going to back-down. Although Coun. Higgins had fluttered the red flag of the supreme court before him, he was not to be frightened by that. He had submitted the scheme to a most eminent authority and he assured him that it would cost over $250,000. Now, he would not enter into a scheme of such magnitude until it was approved by the people, after which he would endeavor to help it forward.

Coun. Grant said in contradiction to the statement that no estimate was published in the papers about the Hendry scheme, that such was done, and signed by a member of the council well acquainted with the details of the whole matter. It gave the full particulars of the scheme.

Coun. Higgins—Who signed the document?

Coun. Grant—A member of the water committee.

Coun. Higgins—Was he an engineer?

Coun. Grant—He is a member of the council.

Coun. Higgins—What is his name?

Coun. Grant—It was myself.

Coun. Higgins—Ah!

Coun. Coughlan—Well, that is news to me. I have asked time and again for the plans of the Hendry scheme and could secure them. There are none such in existence.

Coun. Grant said that there was.

There was considerable cross-firing here between several councillors, when Coun. Styles rose to his feet.

His Worship—Now, gentlemen, it is no use staying here all night. You are going to the supreme court with the question.

After some more cross-firing, which caused considerable laughter, the motion of Coun. Barnard to appoint a committee of three, was put.

The vote was then taken with the following result: Ayes—Couns. Barnard, Braden, Coughlan, Higgins, Styles and Harris.

Coun. Styles—The same six. [Laughter].

Noes—Couns. Grant and Pearse.

MONTHLY ACCOUNTS.

Accounts for the amount of $2,274.95 were referred to the finance committee for payment.

BICYCLE PRIVILEGES.

Coun. Harris gave notice that at next meeting he would move the additional clause 24, to by-law 146. This is for the purpose of allowing parties to run a bicycle on any sidewalk but Government, by paying a license of $50 a year.

STREET COMMITTEE.

The street committee reported in favor of several street improvements, which were adopted.

POLICE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:

GENNTLEMEN,—The police committe have to report that in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent of Police, W. W. Roberts has been appointed special constable during the winter months, subject to the approval of your honorable body.

The committe beg to direct your attention to the accompanying communication from the superintendent of police and respectfully submit that, the position assumed by Mr. Bloomfield being strictly in conformity with the law, his course in the Chinese case be approved by this council.

D. W. HIGGINS, Chairman.

The following letter from Supt. Bloomfield was also read:

VICTORIA, 7th Dec., 1887.

To D. W. Higgins, Chairman of the Police Committee:

SIR—I beg to report that on Saturday last, in the afternoon, on Government street, near the postoffice, I met the Mayor, James Fell, Esq., who complained to me that the police made no effort to find the prosecutor and witnesses, Chinamen, in the case of Ah Jim vs. Walker, in order that the police committee should examine them in the investigation held on that case. He further added that his authority for making the statement was Thornton Fell, Esq., a barrister of this city. As a fact, the police officers made every effort to find these men and actually succeeded in sending two of them from the supreme court to the city hall to be examined by the committee. I am informed, however, that the men arrived too late, as the investigation closed before they reached the hall. I have reason, also, to believe, from information I have since received, that the prosecutor, Ah Jim, had left for New Westminster, which would account for the officers not being able to find him. The Mayor then instructed me to have an information laid against one Jeffree, who has, since the trial, declared himself guilty of the assault as the case is one of simple assault and a personal grievance. I explained that the proper course was for the person aggrieved to lay the information, or, if he would not, or could not do so himself, to procure some one to do so on his behalf. After a great deal of remonstrance on my part, His Worship, the Mayor, finally said that if I, as Chief of the Police, did not intend to do as he ordered me to I had better say so and he would know what to do. In reply, I said if he chose to see the matter in that light he might do as he saw fit; that for my part, being perfectly satisfied that I would not be justified in complying with his request, I must decline to obey his orders; but, I added, if the Chinaman would lay the information I would do all in my power to assist him. As I have before said, the man has left the city and it is a mere waste of time for the police to attempt to find him.

In cases of simple assault, such as the case referred to, the rule is, as I have stated, that the information should be laid by the complainant or some one on his behalf, and on that point I would refer to Oakes' Synopsis, page 302, and what is more, unless the complainant pay for a summary trial, the magistrate would have to send the case to a higher court. [See chap. 40, sec. 73, Summary Convictions Act.] Many authorities might be cited on this head, and it is the opinion of various barristers in this city, with whom the question was discussed, that the matter is a personal one with which the authorities have no right to deal until the initiative has been taken by the parties interested. If I might be allowed I would suggest that the question should be referred to the police magistrate, who I am convinced will bear me out in the view I have taken. I have disobeyed the orders of the Mayor for no reason except that he wished me to overstep the bounds of my duty; should the mayor or the police committee now order me to do so, and wish to take upon themselves the responsibility and expense which may attend an irregular proceeding, I am quite prepared to lay the information and take out the warrant. There is another and a more insignificant consideration apparently attending this case, which, however, I think is not without weight. Every citizen applying for a warrant is obliged to pay a fee which goes towards defraying the expenses of the administration of justice in the city. An attempt is now being made to favor a Chinaman in an irregular manner at the expense of the balance of the community.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
C. P. BLOOMFIELD,
Supt. Police.

Coun. Pearse regarded the letter as impertinent and the substance of the letter twaddle. It was the chief's duty to obey the mayor's orders. The selection of Mr. Roberts was also peculiar, after what had been said of that gentleman by the chief.

Coun. Grant said strange things happened in this world. He preferred having the election of a policeman held in the usual way.

Coun. Styles thought the course was usual one—it was merely a temporary appointment.

Coun Higgins said the appointment was a temporary one, and he would ask that the council adopt the report. He would not oppose it going to the ballot, if insisted on, but thought it unnecessary.

His worship said he regarded the letter handed in by the chief of police, taking all circumstances into consideration, most impertinent. The fact that the assault happened in a licensed house made it the duty of the chief to prosecute the parties. The mayor went over the matter, and again said there was no effort or disposition on the part of the police to bring in the Chinese, and he was prepared to prove that Supt. Bloomfield had neglected his duty.

After an explanation by Coun. Higgins with regard to Mr. Roberts, the police committee's report was adopted, and Supt. Bloomfield's letter referred to the police magistrate.

The council then adjourned.

Drug Store.

Mr. Blanchard, having purchased Mr. Atwood's interest in the firm of R. Atwood & Co., can be found at his store on Government street, next door to Neufelder & Ross', where he keeps a full line of Drugs, Chemicals, Toilet Articles, Patent Medicines, etc., etc. Physicians' prescriptions carefully and promptly compounded. M. G. BLANCHARD. *

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A Hint to Housekeepers.

Mrs. Robert Williamson, of Glenila, Parry Sound, Ont., says, "I could not keep house without Hagyard's Yellow Oil at hand. I have used it in my family for croup, sore throat, and a cut foot and can highly recommend it to everybody." tu-th-sat-dw.

CAPITAL NOTES.

Costigan is Not Going Out of the Ministry.

Atlantic Ocean Mail Clerkships Abolished—Analysis of Milk Supply—Manitoba Claims Sixty Thousand Dollars.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

OTTAWA, Dec. 7.—The Atlantic Ocean mail clerkships have been abolished. The sorting and distribution of the British mails will in future be done on the mail trains.

The Dominion analyist will shorly publish a bulletin of the analyses of the milk supply from retail dealers. Samples from the principal cities show that milk is greatly adulterated.

It is semi-officially denied that Costigan is going out of the ministry to become Collector of Customs at St. John.

The Manitoba Government claims $60,000 from the Dominion for providing accommodation for the inmates of the Northwestern lunatic asylum in the Manitoba asylum.

A COURT SENSATION.

Discovery of The Culprit who Deceived the Czar and Bismarck.

BERLIN, Dec. 5.—The Countess Wolkenstein Trostburg, wife of the Austrian ambassador at St. Petersburg, is involved in the forgery case. She is the widow of Count Schleintz, formerly Hans minister to the Prussian court. When in Berlin she was an active intriguant against Bismarck, and after her marriage with Count Wolkenstein Trostburg, maintained relations with Bismarck's court opponents, the Countess Perplancher Raedziwill and Countess Perilwitz, wife of the emperor's grand chamberlain.

It is reported that Bismarck will ask Emperor William to dismiss Count Perplancher and Count Perilwitz. Both have visited Frederichsruhe and asserted their innocence in relation to their wives' letters. The Austrian government, it is expected, will recall Count Wolkenstein Trostburg.

HIGHLY CONNECTED.

One of the Partners in a Massachusetts Organ Company.

WORCESTER, (Mass.), Dec. 2.—The announcement that a receiver has been applied for by the partners in the Hamilton Vocal Organ Company has led to the disclosure that James Bailey Hamilton is a son of the late Admiral Hamilton of the British navy, who was with Lord Nelson at Trafalgar. He married Lady Evelyn Campbell, daughter of the Duke of Argyle, a year ago last summer, in Westminster Abbey. The couple came to America, took up their home in this city, and remained here until March last, when Hamilton's connection with the Hamilton Organ Company of Worcester was severed. They went, as everybody thought, back to England. They are now, however, in Canada, at the home of Lord Lansdowne, Governor-General of the Dominion, whose wife, Lady Lansdowne, is Hamilton's own cousin.

AN ORCHID DINNER.

How the British Fishery Commissioners are Being Entertained at Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 30.—The dinner given by Messrs. Putnam and Angell last evening to the British Commissioners at the Arlington hotel was the most expensive as to floral decorations ever given there, the table being adorned solely with orchids and ferns as a special compliment to Mr. Chamberlain, who is believed to have the finest collection of orchids in England. Mr. Putnam desired to give him an orchid dinner, and it was done. The florist had to telegraph to a hundred different places, east, north and west, to secure enough orchids for dinner. The guests besides Mr. Chamberlain were Sir Charles Tupper, Sir Lionel Sackville West, Secretary Bayard, Chief Justice Waite, Justices Miller, Field and Gray, Judge Cooley, Senators Hale, Palmer, Allison and Butler; Admiral Rodgers, Commodore Harmony, Hon. Mr. Thompson; Minister of Justice of Canada, Mr. Bancroft Davies and Mr. Sigourney Butler.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Pensions have been granted to Thomas Chavenor, of Gold Hill, Ore., and to Cyrene, widow of Stephen Taylor, Snohomish, W. T.

Governor Semple of Washington Territory, in his message to the legislature at Olympia, recommends the abolition of the office of inspector of mines.

The total amount estimated as required for all expenses of the United States government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1889, is $326,530,793.

The Western Union Telegraph Company is now stretching a duplex copper wire eastward from Portland to meet a force stretching the same character of wire from Helena, M. T., westward.

General Superintendent Fillmore, of the Southern Pacific Company states that owing to bad weather in the north, the last spike ceremonies in connection with the completion of the California & Oregon railway will be necessarily delayed from the 10th to the 13th.

The Best Yet.

The Xmas number Illustrated London *News* with four colored pictures, for sale at the B. C. Book Store. *

Great Consternation.

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A CONTEMPORARY'S MISSTATEMENTS.

The New Westminster *Columbian* vies with the Vancouver *News* in taking advantage of every opportunity to injure Victoria, and spreads abroad wilful misstatements with reference to matters that occur here. Indeed we believe the *Columbian* is more persistent in its attacks and more malicious in its inventions than even the *News*. Why this should be we do not know. We never belittle New Westminster, nor do we take advantage of every little incident to throw mud at the *Columbian*. On the contrary, we endeavor in every way possible to advance the prosperity of that enterprising city and would be glad if the *Columbian* would second our efforts. If it paid more attention to the interests of the people to whom it caters and less to insulting and injuring Victoria and Victorians it might in time hope to receive such a public acknowledgment of its services as was recently tendered THE COLONIST. The cause of these remarks is an article in the last issue of the *Columbian* to hand with reference to Sir Adolphe Caron's failure to address the militia during his visit. The editorial teems with untruths some of which we propose to expose. It is only fair, however, to say that the *Columbian* has an excuse in that it imbibes its wisdom from its fellow Grit the *Times*. In the first place no dissatisfaction exists in Victoria "on account of the manner in which Sir Adolphe Caron treated the review of the local militia at Beacon Hill." We have never heard anybody express such an opinion; the statement appeared in the columns of the *Times* in an endeavor to get in a "hit" at Sir Adolphe, and was just what anybody might have expected from that ungeliable sheet. In the second place the assertion that "the review had been got up for the express purpose of entertaining Sir Adolphe" is untrue. The occasion was the *annual inspection* by Lieut.-Col. Holmes, D.A.G. Sir Adolphe happened to be here at the time and of course was invited to be present. In the third place the fabrication that "the Minister of War seemed more anxious to arrive on time at a banquet which had been prepared for him than to note the points of excellence presented by the citizen soldiers" is an untruth. Sir Adolphe did not leave the parade ground to attend a banquet, nor did he "hasten to any supper." No "dinner was prepared in his honor" that afternoon, as stated by our ill-advised contemporary. There was no "waiting banquet." The closing slur at the Victoria Militia is simply disgraceful. When the New Westminster militia come to Victoria they are always complimented by the press, as they deserve. As to the merits of our men we shall inform the *Columbian* later on what Sir Adolphe's opinion of them was from what he saw. Now, having shown up a falsehood in almost every sentence of the editorial, we will state the true facts of the case as told by Sir Adolphe himself at the banquet tendered him by the citizens of this city. If one could judge by the applause and cheers which followed his explanation there was no "dissatisfaction" felt by the representative men present. He referred, without mentioning the name of that paper, to the misstatement in the *Times*, and proceeded to show its falsity. He said he had made an engagement with His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor to make a formal call on the Admiral and that recognizing in the person of the Governor the representative here of Her Majesty, and himself one of her ministers, he felt that it would be a great discourtesy to keep him waiting. For that reason after seeing as much of the review as possible, he "posted" to the hotel to meet His Honor. They then called on the Admiral (there was no banquet, nor thought of one), and fulfilled an imperative duty. Sir Adolphe went on to state that he had formed the highest opinion of the local militia and paid them the compliment of saying that they were as fine a body of men as he had seen anywhere in the Dominion. Thoroughly conversant with the drill, they presented a most soldierly appearance and reflected the highest credit on the city. He regretted that he was unable to address them but he had done the next best thing he could—expressed to Lieut. Col. Holmes his high appreciation of our citizen soldiers, the position in which he was placed, and the pleasure it would have given him to tell the militia how much he was pleased with them. These are the facts, and we ask the *Columbian* how under the circumstances Sir Adolphe could have acted other than he did?

The same issue of the *Columbian* refers to the unpleasantness between Collector Hamley and Capt. Webber in some of the editor's alleged wit. He will probably find when he has read the last two issues of THE COLONIST that he is as much at sea as to the position of this matter as he is to that which we have just referred to at length. We regret to be obliged to convict a contemporary, for whom we have only the best wishes, of publishing statements that are without a grain of truth, but the *Columbian* has lately overstepped all bounds and must be brought to with a sharp turn. We are glad to know, however, that our contemporary only speaks his own bitterness—he in nowise reflects the opinion of any portion of the people of New Westminster.

GOLD.

At this time the question is often asked, is the supply of gold in the markets of the world growing larger, as is generally supposed, or is it instead really decreasing? Large amounts of the precious metal are annually added to the quantity already in stock. As is proven by mineral records, abundantly productive mines are situated in nearly all sections of the planet. As a rule these valuable deposits are worked with the best appliances that modern science can suggest, and although we have no means of estimating anything near the exact figure, there can be no doubt that the number of dollars worth which is each year extracted from the bosom of the earth is a sum almost beyond belief. Still these facts do not by any means demonstrate that the world's supply of gold is actually increasing. The character of this metal causes a constant waste, no matter what use it is put to. Even when largely alloyed by other material of far less value, but far better adapted to resist the wear of ordinary uses, particles of the compound substance are constantly being rubbed off and lost. When all parts of the world are taken together, we see at once that the aggregate destruction from this cause alone must be very great. A very large stock of gold is also used in the manufacture of gilt. It has been estimated that the annual production of this article, if laid out in single sheets, would cover a tract of country many hundreds of miles square. But, as is well known, a very little gold makes a vast amount of gilt. However, taking all the knowledge which we have on the subject into consideration, we see good evidence that, considering its value, gold is lost and destroyed from form fully as rapidly as any other metal. The only way to determine whether the inflow from mines is larger than the outflow by reason of these and other causes is to find out whether the purchasing power of gold money is going up or down. The value of the article for mechanical purposes might be regulated by the force of special demands. A recent article on this subject in the *Popular Science Monthly*, by Mr. David A. Wells, seems to show that there is a steady and considerable increase of gold in circulation, and also in the numberless forms of ornamental and useful articles for which it is well adapted. Mr. Wells enumerates a long list of commodities, including all the more common products of manual and professional labor and domestic service, and in every case a given value of gold will purchase considerably less than it would twenty years ago. The best authorities agree that the quantity of gold still in positions where it was deposited by the chemistry of nature is vastly greater than the amount now in the hands of mankind. New mines of marvellous richness are being discovered in widely separated localities, and the appliances by which gold is removed from quartz and sand are constantly being improved. The tendency is thus unmistakably toward a large yearly increase in the supply of gold. M. Soetbeer, one of the best authorities on precious metals, affirms that from 1877 to 1885 the gold coin in civilized countries increased to the extent of $538,000,000.

Some interesting autographs (the Paris correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* remarks) are to be picked up now and then at the sales at the Hôtel Drouot. Among a lot just disposed of were letters penned by Henry III., and by the monarch who pronounced Paris to be "well worth a mass;" by Catharine de Medicis, Bossuet, and other royal and literary celebrities. A missive addressed by King Louis Philippe to General Sabastiani in January, 1840, attracted much notice. In it the king said that he had done his utmost to retain Sebastiani at the French Embassy at London, but that his hand had been forced by his Ministers, and he had been compelled to choose between a break-up of the Cabinet and a promise to recall Sebastiani after the marriage of Queen Victoria. Such letters often throw useful side-lights on historical incidents and on the careers of prominent personages. Thus we find Mirabeau writing to a publisher: — "You will not have the pleasure of seeing your name connected with mine for money, and I return your 'Voltaire,' being only too glad not to possess the faintest trace of a souvenir from you which I have never desired." This is a document which would have delighted the heart of worthy Dr. Johnson; but for once the author's independence was misplaced. The book in question was a work on the Prussian Monarchy, and the publisher who afterwards undertook to introduce it to the world owed his bankruptcy to his faith in Mirabeau's popularity. Of equal interest, though in quite another form, was a note sent by Gambetta in December, 1863, to his friend Silvestre, asking him to procure his fees for a case which he was morally certain of winning, as he was quite "cleaned out." "One word of a metallic answer, if possible," he concluded. This was in the days when the Great Tribune was still a struggling barrister and entirely dependent on his own poor resources.

THOMAS EDISON, the electrician, when asked by a newspaper interviewer what he thought of the Keely motor, replied: "I have never seen it, so I have no opinion about it. But all the results he is said to have obtained can be got from compressed air. All the air in this room can be condensed into a liquid that could be carried in a filbert shell, and its explosive force would be tremendous. Skillfully released and reconstructed, it would move a great machine." In reply to the question, "When motive power gets to be four times as cheap as it is, Mr. Edison, what will become of the laboring man?" "He will be enriched by it. Machinery will be his slave. See how machinery has multiplied in the last fifty years. As a direct result, workingmen get double the wages they did then, and the necessities of life cost only half as much. In other words, a hand worker can to-day buy four times as much with ten hours of work as his his father could fifty years ago. For the first time in the world's history, a skilled mechanic can buy a barrel of flour with a single day's work. The machinery in the United States represents the labor of a thousand million men, or fifty times as much labour as that of all the men in the country. When motive power is still further cheapened—say in another generation—I believe that the unskilled laborer, if sober and industrious, can have a house of his own and a horse and carriage and a library and a piano. It is terrible stupidity that leads some laboring men to suppose that machinery is their foe. It is the thing that gives them independence and even freedom. Without machinery society would drift into the condition of master and slave. The multiplication of machinery means for every worker more food, better clothes, better house, less work. In fact, I believe that the indefinite increase of machinery is going to solve what folks call 'the labor question'—that is, the desire of the hand workers to get a bigger slice of the margin of profit."

AN interviewer has been inducing the s eward of a Cunarder to furnish him with an estimate of the stores consumed on the double trip across the Atlantic. The figures are rather startling, even in these days of big things, but then eating and drinking seem to be going on all day long on board the Cunarder. For the single journey the steward provides 90 carcasses of sheep, 1,000 lbs. of lamb, 4,500 lbs. of mutton, 1,200 lbs. of beef, 2,500 lbs. of ham, 550 fowls, and other perishable comestibles in proportion. Amongst these must be reckoned 12,000 eggs, of which the daily consumption is reckoned at 1,500, and 2,000 lbs. of butter. Pretty well this for seven days! The non-perishable stores, which are to last for the return voyage, are on a commensurate scale: 20,000 oranges, 20,000 lemons, 500 lbs. of tea, and 1,400 quarts of condensed milk are supplemented by wines, malt liquors, and mineral waters sufficient to quench the thirst of an army of giants. The Cunarders, it may be observed, carry no live stock.

THE newly elected president of the French republic is a man of good blood. He is descended from Carnot, the great war minister of the French republic of 1789-1802. So great were the abilities of Carnot that he held his place under the Jacobins, and under Napoleon. He was war minister when Dumouriez and Kellerman won Volmy and Jemeppes, and was war minister when France won Marengo. The first Napoleon appreciated the abilities of Carnot and kept him in office long after the Directory was destroyed.

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The Auctioneers would state that the articles comprising this Sale are of the latest and best designs, and have been selected for the holiday trade. An extended advertisement will appear in a few days giving time, place and date of sale. Catalogues will be issued containing full particulars, and all goods will be guaranteed as sold.

JOSHUA DAVIES, Auctioneer. oct

GOVERNMENT NOTICES.

Department of Public Works

ESQUIMALT Graving Dock

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE Graving Dock at Esquimalt is now ready to receive ships for repairs.

For terms, rules, &c., apply to Captain John M. Devereux, Dock Master, at his office at the Dock.

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH, Dominion Government Agent.

Dominion Government Agent's Office, Victoria, B. C., 12th October, 1887. oct4 2m

TABLE

Showing the Dates and Places of Courts of Assize, Nisi Prius, and Oyer and Terminer, for the Year 1887.

SPRING ASSIZES.

[On Vancouver Island.]

Victoria.....Monday.....16th May.
Nanaimo.....Tuesday.....7th June.

[On Mainland.]

New Westminster.Wednesday. 4th May.
Kamloops.....Monday.....6th June.
Clinton.....Monday.....13th June.

FALL ASSIZES.

[On Mainland.]

Richfield.....Monday.....12th September.
Clinton.....Wednesday.28th September.
Kamloops.....Monday.....3rd October.
Lytton.....Monday.....10th October.
New Westminster Wednesday..9th November.

[On Vancouver Island.]

Victoria.....Monday.....28th November.
Nanaimo.....Tuesday.....6th December.
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NOTICE

To Mariners and Others

THE BRIDGE FOR CROSSING VICTORIA Harbor for the Esquimalt, Nanaimo Railway Company being about to be commenced, it will be necessary to Drive Piles, from time to time, from both sides of the Harbor towards the channel. A red light will be exhibited from "Dusk to Dawn," on the outside pile of the eastern side. Steamers, or other Craft will, when either going up or down at night or during the day, steer close to and the westward of the outside pile.

W. R. CLARKE, Harbor Master.

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Department of Militia and Defence.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED TENDERS to be endorsed "Tender for Barracks," and addressed to the Dominion Government Agent, for the construction of Barrack Buildings in the vicinity of Victoria, will be received at this office until noon on Friday, the 16th instant.

Plans and specifications of these buildings may be inspected at this office.

Tenders must be made out on forms which may be obtained at this office.

No tender will be considered unless an accepted bank cheque or deposit certificate for a sum equal to 5 per centum of the gross amount of the price tendered, payable to the order of the Hon. Minister of Militia and Defence be enclosed therewith, which will be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract for the work when called upon to do so, or fail to complete the work when contracted for.

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By Order,
E. M. BOVILL, Private Sec.

Dominion Government Agent's Office, Victoria, B.C., 1st Dec., 1887. dec2-td

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NOTICE.

A General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Victoria Theatre, on Thursday the 8th day of December, at 7.30 p.m.

By Order,
JNO. J. AUSTIN, Secretary.

Bastion, St. Victoria, Nov. 30th, 1887. de1

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B. STAPLEDON.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 7, 1887. nov17-2m

NOTICE.

Estate Edward Stephens,

DECEASED.

All claims against the above estate must be sent in, and all monies due and owing to the deceased must be paid, to the undersigned on or before the 15th day of December next.

JNO. J. AUSTIN, Administrator.

Victoria, Nov. 15th, 1887. nv15-1m

NOTICE.

The undersigned will make application at the next sitting of the Board of Licensing Magistrates for a license to sell liquor by retail at the premises, corner of Quadra and North Park st.

D. F. EE.

VICTORIA, Nov. 18, 1887. 11-19-1m

NOTICE.

DURING MY ABSENCE IN SAN FRANCISCO, Mr. E. H. Fisher, Architect, will attend to my business.

H. L. GULLINE.

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NOTICE.

LESSONS IN ART-NEEDLEWORK IN its higher branches can be obtained of MRS. MILLS, (Agent for The Irish Royal Art Needle Work Society), Queen Anne Buildings, Fort St.

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the next sitting of the Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company will apply for leave to introduce and pass a bill enabling them to construct a branch line from a point on their railway between Esquimalt and Goldstream, to a point on the north shore of the Straits of Fuca, between Pedder Bay and Otter Point.

Dated at Victoria, the 29th day of November, A.D., 1887.

CHARLES WILSON, Solicitor for the Applicants.

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NOTICE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

BOSSI & GIESSELMAN, PLAINTIFFS.

MARKS, RUTLEDGE & CO, DEFENDANTS:

UNDER and by virtue of an Order made this day by Sir Matthew Baillie Begbie, C. J., I have been appointed Receiver of the Estate of Marks, Rutledge & Co., of Nicola B. C.

The order can be seen at my office, James Bay, and also at the office of Mr. S. Perry Mills, Langley Street, Plaintiffs' Solicitor.

Dated 3rd December, 1887.

JAMES C. PREVOST, Registrar Sup. Ct., B. C.

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NOTICE.

HAVING THIS DAY PURCHASED R. Attwood's interest in the firm of R. Attwood & Co., I will carry on the drug business on my own account. All claims against the late firm will be paid by me, to whom all debts due R. Attwood & Co. must be paid. Asking a continuance of public patronage.

M. G. BLANCHARD.

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NOTICE.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that from September 27th, 1887, all bills contracted by Barnett Aaronson, lately in my employ, I will not be responsible for, the said Barnett Aaronson having no authority to use my name. I also notify the public that the said Barnett Aaronson has no connection in any shape, form or manner in the business located on Johnson street, and known as Uncle A. A. Aaronson's Down Office. dec1-1m

Notice to Contractors.

TENDERS are invited by the Committee of the Saanich Agricultural Society for an addition, 30x30, and a new floor, to their Hall, and certain other alterations.

Plans and specifications may be seen at the residence of Mr. J. D. Bryant, South Saanich, on and after Friday, November 25th inst., who also will give all necessary information. Tenders to be addressed to the Secretary, G. A. McTavish, up till Tuesday, the 6th of December.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. nov21-td

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that I shall apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C., for the issuance of a Crown Grant for that lot or parcel of land known as the "Blue Bell Mineral Claim," which is more fully described as to metes and bounds by the official plot herewith posted and by field notes of survey thereof on file in the office of the Gold Commissioner, Kootenay District.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the mining ground or premises, or any portion thereof, are hereby notified that unless their adverse claims are duly filed within the time prescribed by the Mineral Act, 47 Vict., ch. 10, they will be barred by the provisions of the said Statute. WILBUR A. HENDRYX.

Kootenay, B. C., Sept. 1st, 1887. Trustee. oct1 dw

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that I shall apply to the Honorable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, Victoria, B. C., for the issuance of a Crown Grant for that lot or parcel of land known as the "Silver King Mineral Claim," which is more fully described as to metes and bounds by the official plot herewith posted and by the field-notes of Survey thereof on file in the office of the Gold Commissioner, Kootenay District.

Any and all persons claiming adversely the mining ground or premises, or any portion thereof, are hereby notified that unless their adverse claims are duly filed within the time prescribed by the Mineral Act, 47 Vict., ch. 10, they will be barred by the provisions of the said Statute. WILBUR A. HENDRYX.

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Dated the 11th day of November, 1887.

By order of the Board.

GEO. A. SARGISON, Secretary.

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NOTICE.

Re. Dominion Saw Mill Company, In Liquidation.

No one having attended at the previous enquiry ordered before the Registrar, the time for proving claims has been enlarged by the Hon. Mr. Justice Crease, to the 18th of December, 1887.

JAMES C. PREVOST, Receiver.

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THE DEATH OF BLUCHER.

Before Dying He Relates to the King the Result of a Visit to His Parents Castle.

After the events through which the map of Europe was completely altered in 1815 the Prussian Field Marshal Blucher, the savior of Wellington at Waterloo, and whom nobody liked because of his rudeness and brutality, was put on the retired list. Disheartened by his removal and reduced to inaction and obscurity, he left Berlin and went to reside in his castle situated in Pomerania. Soon he fell into a deep melancholy, rendered more intense by dropsy and inflammation of the chest. A strange change in his character took place. That rough soldier became timid, even poltroon. He would not remain alone in the darkness; solitude threw him into singular anguishes. His state of health was reported to the king, who esteemed and loved him a great deal. The monarch having heard that at several times the marshal had expressed the wish of seeing him once more before he died, resolved to visit him.

Leaving Berlin in the morning, the king of Prussia arrived in Krieblowitz early in the evening. Immediately he was conducted to Blucher's room. The sick man, aged 74 years, was reclining on a sofa placed before a large chimney, in which enormous logs of wood were burning. Their flames illuminated the room and cast mobile and red reflections on the features of the old man wrapped up in bearskin. At the entrance of his sovereign in his apartment, Blucher tried to rise out of respect for his august visitor, who prevented him from doing so. The king took a chair and sat by the side of the marshal.

Blucher ordered to be left alone with his master. When every one had left the room he said:

"Sire, I have humbly requested your majesty to come here, in this castle of Krieblowitz; rather than not see you I would have gone to Berlin myself, although I am dying. I have a secret to confide to your majesty, a terrible one. Will my king allow me to speak?"

"Certainly, my dear marshal."

"Before listening to my narrative, sire, look at me well. Assure yourself that I am in the full possession of my senses and that I am not a lunatic. Sometimes I believe to be on the verge of insanity; and I doubt if I am not taking yesterday's visions for a remembrance of days gone by. But no!" added he, drawing a gold bracelet from his pocket, "no, all is true, all is real, and I am sure of what I am saying.

"Listen to me, your majesty:

"When, in 1756, the Seven Years' War began, my father, who inhabited his castle of Gross Renzow, sent me to the manor of our relatives, situated in Rugen Island. After a while the Russian government offered me the grade of cornet in the Black Hussars regiment. I accepted of a furlough to afford me the opportunity of paying a visit to my family, that I had not seen for months. A leave of absence was granted to me.

"On my way to Gross Renzow I found all that part of the Mecklenburg horribly devastated. Arriving about four miles from home I became aware that my carriage could not ascend the new steepy road conducting to the house of my ancestors. I abandoned it, and pursued my journey on horseback, followed by one of my servants.

"It was fifty-nine years ago this very day, the 12th of August, and at the hour indicated now by this antique clock—half past eleven. A dreadful tempest shook the trees, the flashes of lightning blinded me and the reports of thunder deafened me; the rain was pouring. After galloping quite a while in the forest I arrived before the castle alone; my servant had lost his way through the inclemency of the weather.

"Without dismounting I knocked at the door with my whip. Nobody answered my call that I repeated three times without being answered. Out of patience, I alighted from my horse, ascended the stoop and entered the castle. No light, no noise anywhere. I avow that my heart went to my throat and a chill crept through my body.

"What foolishness! thought I; the castle is deserted; my family has gone to the city. No matter, as I am here, I must arrange myself as well as possible.

"And I crossed a hall and went to my father's room. A fire half extinguished was smoking in the chimney; by its faint light I saw my father, my mother and my four sisters, seated around the fireplace; they rose when they perceived me. I ran to kiss my father; he stopped me with a gesture; I extended my arms to my mother; she fell back with a sad motion of the head. I called my sisters, each separately; they took each other by the hand without answering me. Then the whole of them returned to their seats.

"'Do not you know me any more?' exclaimed I. 'Is it like this a family ought to receive a son and a brother? Have you already heard of my entrance in the Russian service? I could not refuse. Remember that the first thing I do is to come and inform you of my action. What! my father, you do not speak? My mother, you keep silent? Have you forgotten, my sisters, our mutual tenderness and the plays of our childhood—those plays that this place has witnessed so often?

"At those last words my sisters appeared to be moved. They spoke low, rose and signaled me to approach. One of them knelt before my mother as if she wanted to play a game in which the players strike each other. Surprised with this strange fancy in a moment so solemn, I touched the hand of my sister with the end of my whip. A mysterious force attracted me.

"When my time came to kneel before my mother and to put my head on her lap—oh, horror! I felt a form angular and cold under her silk dress. I heard a sharp noise like the rattling of bones, and then a hand met mine; that hand rested in it. It was a skeleton's hand. I uttered a cry of terror. They were human remains that I shook convulsively.

"Out of myself, and with a disturbed mind, I ran away from this awful castle; in the yard I found my horse; I mounted and departed at a furious pace. At the break of the day my steed fell dead, and my servant found me, senseless, lying under the animal. I was at the point of death for over three weeks. When I recovered my health I learned that my family had perished, victims of this pitiless Seven Years' War, and that our manor had been pillaged and ransacked many times.

"I returned to Gross Renzow. I wanted to pay the last duties to my family and to give a decent burial to those I loved so dearly. Notwithstanding the most minute researches I was unable to find their sacred remains. Alone, a hand, a woman's hand holding a gold bracelet, was picked up on the floor in my father's room, the same room where the fatal vision appeared to me. I took that bracelet, this very one, and the hand was buried in the chapel of the castle.

"Many years passed. Two months ago I was asleep on this sofa when I was awakened by a slight noise. I opened my eyes, and saw distinctly my father, my mother and my four sisters standing before me; my sisters took each other by the hand and motioned me to join them.

"'No, no! never!' cried I.

"Then the ghosts, clasping their hands, began to turn slowly around me.

"'Justice,' said my father passing before me.

"'Penance, murmured my mother, inclining her sad face towards me.

"'Prayer,' said the younger sister

"'Sword,' sighed another.

"'Twelfth of August,' said the third.

"And the last one repeated:

"'Twelfth of August at midnight.'

"And again they turned around me, uttering the same words, then they vanished repeating:

"'Goodby! Goodby! The 12th of August at midnight!'

"I comprehended that my life was to be accomplished soon, and nothing more was to be done by me but to recommend my soul to God and my family to your majesty."

"My dear marshal," replied the king, "what you have related to me is certainly very extraordinary. Perhaps fever and delirium have something to do with those visions. Courage; take courage; fight against those hallucinations and have good hope. You shall regain your health and you will live many long years. Do you not believe me? Yes, is it not? Give me your hand."

And as Blucher did not answer, the king of Prussia seized his hand.

It was already cold and rigid!

Midnight struck by the antique clock in the parlor.

Field Marshal Blucher, the savior of Wellington at Waterloo, was dead.—Translated for New York Graphic from the French by Guard 821, New York Elevated Railroad.

Inventive Genius in Streaks.

One of the leading authors of the present day has remarked that "genius comes in shoals." There is a depth of truth in the remark, says a contemporary, which must at once be patent to all who are familiar with the history of our country, and in no field of inquiry does the fact stand out so prominently as in the great outbreak of inventive genius by which our country is distinguished. The Elizabethan age was characterized by a shoal of dramatists, next we have a shoal of essayists with the amiable Addison at their head, and down through the years until what Carlyle has called "the mechanical age" set in. The birthday of the manufacturing supremacy of England was undoubtedly the 5th of January, 1769, when James Watt announced his patent "for a method of lessening the consumption of steam and fuel in fire engines." This was the source and sustaining power of mechanical energy whose action quickly changed the face of the world.

The inventive minds fulled in a shoal, and before half a century elapsed England was in possession of the most mechanical appliances. Since the commencement of the "mechanical age" the aspect of the country has been changed. In districts like the "Black Country," where nothing formerly appeared but rural scenery, great manufacturing establishments have been erected, towns raised, and the roar of furnaces, the noise of machinery, the buzz of reels, and ceaseless activity now diversify the scene where nothing was formerly heard but the purling steam or the howling of the tempest. Not only do the inventive minds come in shoals, but shoals of inventors who concentrate their united energy on some special branch of mechanics or science are every now and then springing up, and invention follows invention with surprising rapidity. These inventions are always shifting; at one time there is a run for improved furnaces, at another improved modes of constructing ships; then comes a change to machinery, or some matter of great public interest, like the rivalry in the improving of the different systems of electric lighting. Not only do inventions shift from one branch of science and mechanics to another, but at times a lull comes over one country and a great outbreak of inventive genius breaks out in another country.—Scientific American.

Newsboys and Bootblacks.

My extensive dealings with both newsboys and bootblacks have convinced me that there is no honester class than they. The other day I gave a newsboy fifty cents to change, and he went from place to place until he was out of sight, but seemingly could not get the change. In a little while he came panting up the street with the change and said he was sorry to keep me waiting. The fellow with the swell bootblacking establishment borrowed my knife to scrape the real estate off my shoes, and I went away and forgot it. He handed it over next day without a murmur. Sometimes the boys haven't change and sometimes I haven't, but we repose a mutual confidence in each other and never get cheated.

There is a lame newsboy from whom I generally buy my evening papers. He seems to have an idea that I am in my honesty that I have always admired and wondered at, for I flatter myself I know myself much better than he does. He is gruff, but exceedingly honest. One time I bought the two papers from him and gave him five cents. He did not have the one cent change. He said he would pay it next day. I thought at the time he wouldn't, but I said nothing. Next day I left for Europe. I was gone eight months, and constant association with the monarchs of that variegated continent gradually obliterated that one cent from my mind. The day after I got back I was sitting in my office when he hobbled in, and in the coolest manner, as if it were a mere trifle, laid down the coin on my desk and said, "Here's your cent."—Luke Sharp in Detroit Free Press.

The Frenchman's Hypersensitiveness.

The extreme sensitiveness of the French character was amusingly illustrated as I recollect some years ago in the Piraeus of Athens, where a vast number of ships of war of all nations were assembled, awaiting events after the flight of King Otho and the coming of the present monarch, who was then Prince George of Denmark. Amongst the English squadron was a line of battle ship named Conqueror, which had for a figure head a lion trampling on a rooster. The ships were very close together in the Piraeus, which is a small harbor, and it happened that the Conqueror was moored next to the flagship of the French admiral, and that regularly every day that officer was perforce compelled to see the Conqueror figure head right outside his stern galley. The contemplation became so annoying to him that he actually wrote to the English admiral, and requested that the objectionable figure head might be removed. Of course, this could not very well be done; but in order to smoothe matters the Conqueror was ordered away to the islands of the archipelago, and on her return, some weeks later, was, much to the disgust of her officers, made to anchor in Salamis bay, about six miles from the city, so as to be out of the way of exhibiting her aggravating figure head to the hypersensitive Frenchmen.—New York Truth.

Value of the White Topaz.

The white topaz found near Pike's Peak is almost equal in value to the diamond. Not many people know this; but I found a topaz on the banks of the Platte river this summer and sent it to a lapidary in New York to have it cut. It weighed 828 carats, and the lapidary sent back word that he would give me $500 for it. I refused the offer, and investigation disclosed the fact that if I had sold the stone it would have found its way into some of the large jewelry stores of the metropolis, where, cut into innumerable small stones, it would have been offered for sale as genuine diamonds. Clear white topaz is worth $9 a carat. A three or four carat, well cut stone will cost you $30 or $40. The white topaz has the brilliancy and hardness of the diamond, and differs from it only in being somewhat transparent. Its angle of refraction differs only slightly from that of the diamond. It is rare, too.—Globe-Democrat.

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SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED at this office up to 1 o'clock p.m., on Wednesday, December 14th, 1887, for

Excavating and Refilling of Trenches for Water Mains, on Cook St.

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The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

PETER SUMMERFIELD,
Water Commissioner.

Victoria, B. C.,
December 5th, 1887. dec6

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WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.

TIME TABLE No. 5,

To take effect at 9.04 a.m., on Thursday Dec. 1st, 1887. Trains run on Pacific Standard Time.

Going South (Read Up) No. 3 Passenger Wed., Sat. and Sun.	Going South (Read Up) No. 1 Passenger Daily.	STATIONS.	Going North (Read Down) No. 4 Passenger Wed., Sat. and Sun.	Going North (Read Down) No. 2 Passenger Daily.
	Ar 1.40 P.M	RUSSELL'S, Vic. W		De 9.04 A.M
	" 1.30	ESQUIMALT		" 9.14
	" 1.03	GOLDSTREAM		" 9.41
	" 12.08 P.M	SHAWNIGAN L'E		" 10.36
	" 11.56	COBBLE HILL		" 10.48
	" 11.39	McPHERSON'S		" 11.05
	" 11.27	KOKSILAH		" 11.17
	" 11.22	DUNCAN'S		" 11.22
	" 11.12	SOMENOS		" 11.32
	" 10.46	CHEMAINUS		" 11.58
	De 9.44	NANAIMO		Ar 1.00 M
Ar 5.15	Ar 9.35	NANAIMO	De 10.00 P.M	De 1.09
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R. DUNSMUIR,
President.

JOHN TRUTCH,
Land Commissioner.
Victoria, B.C., July 25th, 1887.
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Estate of James Bryden, Deceased.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS CLAIMING DEBTS OR liabilities affecting the estate of James Bryden, late of North Saanich, deceased, who died on the 13th day of November, A. D. 1887, are required, on or before the 5th day of March, 1888, to send in their claims to the undersigned, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are requested to pay their debts without delay. After the last mentioned date the Executor will proceed to distribute the assets pursuant to the will, having regard only to the claims of which he then has notice.

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Time Table No. 9, Takes Effect Nov'r 1st, 1887

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PLUMPER PASS,
Sunday at 7 o'clock.

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Monday at 13 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday, at 7 o'clock.

FOR PLUMPER PASS,
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FRASER RIVER ROUTE.

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BARCLAY SOUND ROUTE.

Steamer "MAUDE" leaves Victoria for Alberni and Sound Ports, November 29th.

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Str Yosemite, New Westminster.
Str Rainbow, New Westminster.
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GOODS just received at Spencer's "Arcade"—Fur Muffs and Boas; Mantle and Dress cloths; Astrachan Jacket Trimmings, Pearls and Dress ornaments, Fur Top and Jersey Gloves, Fancy Silk Handkerchiefs, and a large lot of House Jerseys and Children's Wool goods. *

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FUR-LINED Cloaks and Dolmans at cost for 30 days at Albion House.

Butter.

Fresh Ontario Butter in rolls, at Neufelder & Ross'. *

A Postmaster's Opinion.

I have great pleasure in certifying to the usefulness of Hagyard's Yellow Oil," writes D. Kavanagh, postmaster of Umfraville, Ont., "having used it for soreness of the throat, burns, colds, etc., I find nothing equal to it." tu-th-sat-dw.

In a Dreadful Condition.

Hattie E. Manthorn, of Mill Village, Ont., says, "My cough was dreadful, I could not sleep at nights on account of it, but when I used Hagyard's Pectoral Balsam I had rest and was quickly cured. All druggists sell the invaluable cough remedy. tu-th-sat-dw.

Variety

is what everyone is looking for now and they find it in Xmas cards at the B. C. Stationery Co. *

CLEARING out Sale for 30 days—Ulsters, Dolmans, Jackets and Waterproof Coats for Ladies and Children, reduced to cost price for cash at Albion House. *

New Winter Cloakings.

Trimmings and Buttons at the City House. *

SPECIAL lines of Library and Table Lamps, Electro-plated Goods, etc., at Geo. Powell & Co., Cheapside. *

Gilt Edged Soap.

If you want a genuine "gilt edged soap" just use Pendray & Co.'s, wrapped Electric—you will find it worth all the 'chromo" soaps in the market. *

Half Price.

Great variety of Xmas Cards at half the usual price at
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Miss McLeod.

Doctor of Magnetism, of Toronto, is at the Clarence Hotel *

Worth Knowing!

It has long been the study of chemists to produce an article that, while it would beautify the complexion, would also have the merit of being harmless, but these two important qualities were never brought together until combined in Wisdom's Robertine, the newest and best preparation science has yet produced for beautifying the complexion. $1000 is offered for every grain of poisonous substance found in it. D. E. Campbell, chemist Victoria, B. C., Agent. †

New Black Costume Materials.

Ladies who wear black from choice will always find the best variety at the City House. *

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP should always be used when children are cutting teeth. It relieves the little sufferer at once; it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain, and the little cherub awakes as "bright as a button." It is very pleasant to taste. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels, and is the best known remedy for diarrhœa, whether arising from the teething or other causes. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Be sure and ask for MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP,' and take no other. d&w

LOCAL AND PROVINCIAL.

Tin and Copper.

There has been a heavy drop in tin, and copper has advanced materially in the London market in the past few days.

No Mails.

There were no through mails last night. A heavy slide took place on the C. P. R., between Port Moody and Vancouver, and in consequence the trains were cancelled.

A Fiend.

A ten-year old boy at St. Joseph's Home, Jersey City, on Monday evening, stripped a four-year old boy of his clothes and set him on the redhot cooking range in the kitchen of the home. The boy was fatally burned before his cries attracted attention.

St. Andrew's Church.

A meeting of the congregation of St. Andrew's Presbyterian will be held this this evening at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of giving a call to a minister. All who feel interested in the church are expected to attend.

The Ball at Westminster.

Tickets for the ball tendered to the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Nelson by the citizens of New Westminster may be secured at M. W. Waitt & Co.'s bookstore. Excursion tickets by the Yosemite are placed at $2 for the round trip.

His Son's Novel Disease.

"How's your son, Sam?" a COLONIST man asked a well-known character yesterday.

"Bad, bad," said he, shaking his head. "He got confusion on de lungs."

"Confusion on the lungs?"

"No, no, I don't mean that. I mean conjecture. Yes, he got conjecture on de lungs."

A Remarkable Man.

In Oregon, a day or two ago, a rich rancher was tried for murdering two men. A witness for the prosecution identified the accused. The jury acquitted the rich man, who thereupon conducted the jury and spectators to a neighboring saloon where he spent $1,000 for drinks and wound up the orgie by offering $5,000 for the scalp of the chief witness for the prosecution.

A C. P. R. Concern.

Quite a little scene occurred at the annual meeting of the Montreal St. Andrew's Society for the installation of officers. E. B. Greenshields, 2nd vice-president, declined to act when Duncan McIntyre was nominated. Upon this Rev. James Barclay, ex-senior chaplain, objected to the society being made a C. P. R. concern. This gave rise to a spirited debate, and finally Mr. McIntyre was elected.

Westminster Masons.

At the regular meeting of Union Lodge, A. F. & A. M., New Westminster, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Thos. Mowat, W. M.; J. D. Rae, S. W.; L. L. Doane, J. W.; B. Douglas, treasurer, (re-elected); Peter Grant, secretary, (re-elected). The remaining officers will be appointed on St. John's night. After the lodge was closed an oyster supper was indulged in and a couple of very pleasant hours were spent by the brethren in fraternal intercourse

White Cooks' and Waiters' Convention.

An organization known as the "White Cooks' and Waiters' Employees' Protective and Benevolent Union," of the Pacific coast, was organized in this city on Monday, by R. J. Graham, of the General Union of San Francisco, Cal. On Tuesday the initiation of officers took place with the following result: Peter Jamieson, president; D. O'Keefe, vice-president; W. M. Milton, past president; C. G. Anderson, recording secretary; T. Jeffrey, treasurer; – Lee, financial secretary; A. F. Read, marshal; J. C. Anderson, inner guard; T. J. Harkin, outer guard.

Perry Creek Gold Mining Co.

At the first general meeting of the stockholders of the above named company the following gentlemen were elected trustees: Col. Jas. Baker, Lewis Lukes, of Sherbrooke, P. Q., D. R. Harris, Alex. Allan, B. Wulffsohn of Vancouver, N. P. Snowden and E. G. Prior. The latest reports from the mine were read to the stockholders and a synopsis given them of the financial status of the company's affairs, which proved quite satisfactory. The by-laws having been submitted and amended to suit the majority of those assembled the meeting was adjourned *sine die*.

The Pioneers.

The Pioneers held a most enthusiastic meeting in their hall last evening, when the following officers were elected for the current year: President, W. McNiff, re-elected; Vice-President, W. Humphreys; Treasurer, J. Kurtz, re-elected; Secretary, J. J. Austin, re-elected; Auditor, C. Lombard; Physician, Dr. J. D. Helmcken, and Janitor, T. Innes. The following board of directors was chosen: J. Loewen, H. F. Heisterman, C. Bossi, N. Shakespeare, M. P., and F. Sehl. There was a very large attendance, and it is anticipated that the annual dinner at the Clarence Hotel on Saturday evening will be a grand success.

Police Court.

Wm. G. Campbell and Geo. W. Kennedy, on remand from the 30th ult., charged with conspiracy to defraud. At the request of counsel for the defense a further adjournment until Tuesday next was granted.

L. Goodacre was charged with hanging meat on the sidewalk contrary to the street by-law. The case was remanded until Monday.

B. Van Volkenburgh, appeared on the same charge and was also remanded until Monday.

Birdie Jones, an Indian, was called to answer to a charge of being drunk, but as she failed to appear her bail of $10 was estreated.

More Light Needed.

The moon has a peculiar influence on some people, and evidently exercises it over Coun. Grant, for his remarks in his paper last evening bear this theory out. Frequently our excellent electric light system is rendered useless by its being shut off on all occasions when there is the slightest apology for moonlight. On the night complained of in THE COLONIST, the light, as Coun. Grant now acknowledges, was shut off. Rain poured in torrents, and it was almost impossible to see a few yards ahead. This is frequently the case solely because the engineer at the electric station is permitted to exercise his own sweet will in the matter. His implicit faith in the almanac (evidently last year's) is almost beyond comprehension. However, since attention was drawn to the inconvenience an improvement is evident, and the light is burning into the wee sma' hours, to the satisfaction of those who, unlike Coun. Grant, —except in the event of public dinners—have business that detains them until early morning.

WHAT SOME PEOPLE SAY.

That Mr. Carl Kosche, the genial hairdresser and expert hair cutter, has returned from his trip to California and will be happy to see his friends and customers at his place, 112 Government street, near Broughton street. *

That the *Guardian* now calls the Provincial Secretary *Mr.* Robson. In the natural sequence of events we shall soon expect to read "Hon. John Robson" in the columns of our Mainland contemporary. There is hope for the S. W. F. yet.

HE BUYS A TOWN.

The Latest Scheme of a Theatrical Man Known in Victoria.

Most people will remember Wilber, who brought his show over the C. P. R. recently and played in this city several nights under canvas. Of him the San Francisco *Chronicle* says: A. R. Wilber, the well-known manager of A. R. Wilber's amusement enterprise, has recently purchased all the lots that were on the market in the new town of Wilber (named after the popular manager), which is situated in Tehama county, on the Central Pacific railroad, the main line between California and Oregon. The town of Wilber is nearly in the centre of one of the most fertile valleys in Central California; it is less than a half-day's journey from San Francisco, in the direct line of progress, and on the great highway of increasing population. Mr. Wilber has reserved two blocks, one for a beautiful park which will be completed at the earliest possible time, and on the other he will erect one of the finest and most complete opera houses north of San Francisco, having stores on the first floor. With Mr. Wilber's large acquaintance with theatrical managers throughout the country, it will be no trouble for him to book all the time that would be profitable for companies to fill in his beautiful new house.

H. A. Wickham, who also has a pecuniary interest in Mr. Wilber's theatrical ventures, is interested with him in the city of Wilber, and states that in order to attract shrewd, enterprising and smart men to this new city, men who will leave no stone unturned to build up a thriving town, they will sell every other lot at one-tenth its value, Mr. Wilber retaining every other lot, upon a number of which he intends building residences.

BENEFIT CONCERT.

Last evening a concert arranged by Mme. Christine de la Mothe was given in the Philharmonic Hall in aid of the St. Ann's Orphanage. The concert was opened by the Garrison Artillery band, under Prof. Agius, playing the polka "Carte de Blanche." Under the able leadership of their new bandmaster the band is certainly making great strides in the right direction. Mr. A. C. Lombard gave a good rendering of "The White Squall," a song which was well received by the large audience. The pianoforte solo, "La Belle Louise," by Miss Sehl received due appreciation. At this point Mr. Lombard apologized for the absence of Mme. de la Mothe and explained that she was not allowed by the doctor to attend the concert. Miss Clara Cameron received the first *encore* of the evening to her song "Lovely Evening," in response to which she delighted all who heard her by singing "Bonnie Sweet Bessie the Maid of Dundee." Miss Cameron was accompanied on the piano by Miss Campbell, who helped greatly toward the success of the songs. "Annette," composed by Prof. Aigus himself, was then played by the band. By the able manner in which she sang "The Blind Girl to Her Harp," Miss Annie Shaw received an *encore* which resulted in her singing "Sweet Spirit Hear My Prayer." Miss Campbell now played a very nice Mazurka, and in answer to an *encore* played "Edelweiss." After the band had finished playing "Fairy Voices," little Miss Dollie Sehl delighted the audience with "I'll Wander Back Again Some Day." Her really sweet voice pleased her listeners so very much that to quieten the loud applause she was obliged to favor the audience "You are false but I'll forgive you." Mr. Gore received an *encore* to a violin solo. Miss Cameron gave "Waiting," and was followed by Mr. Lombard who sang "The Wolf." The concert ended by the band playing a piece and the St. Ann's bazaar wound up by an auction of the fancy articles which were left over at the sales. Mr. Fee acted as auctioneer, and managed to sell all "the surplus stock." As soon as all the chances have been taken up the chair will be raffled off; the day of the raffle will be duly advertised.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

The steamer Yosemite yesterday brought down two carloads of Spallumcheen flour.

Two hundred tons of freight were brought down by the Yosemite yesterday.

The Artillery band, which has gained much prominence since Prof. Agius took it in hand, will play the music at the Citizens' ball at New Westminster.

Saturday evening, at the Clarence, the members of the B. C. Pioneer Society will hold their annual dinner. Mr. J. J. Austin has tickets for sale at $2.50 each.

Plate-glass show windows are being placed in front of Messrs. T. N. Hibben & Co.'s store. It is intention of the owners of the building to do likewise with C. A. Lombard and W. Wilson's stores.

It is now said that there are no cases of black measles at the Indian camp in Esquimalt. Three bodies were buried the deaths occurring elsewhere. These were due to exposure two weeks after having contracted the measles. There are, however, three persons sick with measles in a mild form at Esquimalt.

PERSONAL.

Ald. Alexander, C. D. Rand and A. Gilmore were passengers by the Louise last evening from the Mainland.

We are pleased to hear that Max Mowatt, of New Westminster, is gradually convalescing. At one time his condition was regarded as most serious.

M. and Mme. C. A. de L'Aubiniere, who are so well known in this city, purpose holding an exhibition and sale of some of their works at Montreal about December 15th. It is possible that M. de L'Aubiniere will deliever a series of lectures on "Modern Art" in Montreal this winter.

THE "RABBIT PEST."

TO THE EDITOR:—A great deal of alarm is expressed at the threatened importation of English rabbits to this province, and the fate of Australia is mentioned as likely to overtake our country if the importation is persisted in. I do not share in the general alarm. English rabbits have been acclimatized in the Southern States and provinces for many years. Many have run wild, but their numbers have never increased so as to be a nuisance. In fact, climatic influences and the existence of ravenous wild animals have always kept the rabbits down. I have raised English rabbits in the east and here and they require great care to preserve them, while those that escape to the woods are never heard of again.

I do not think British Columbia has anything to fear from any invasion of English rabbits. There are many of the species here now and no bad results have ever been experienced. RABBITICUS.

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NANAIMO FALL ASSIZES.

[Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Crease.]

The fall assizes at Nanaimo commenced on Tuesday at 11 a. m.

His Lordship addressed the grand jury in substance as follows: The list of cases to come before this assize was certainly not a long one, but it embraced several serious offenses. One of the cases, *viz:* cattle stealing, was new to that district, although the crime has no doubt often been committed, for settlers and others have lost valuable cattle, and their loss was attributed to theft. The most serious charge was that of Qumlet charged with the murder of Dring and Miller at Cowichan. His Lordship briefly reviewed the circumstances of this murder which he stated had shocked the entire community at the time of its discovery. Another case was that of Portless charged with intimidating and threatening the witnesses in the case of Qumlet. This His Lordship described as a most important case, as it was an attempt to interfere with the administration of justice. Another indictment was that against two Indians named Tom and Charley, for an attempt to shoot Henry M. Fox and G. W. Martin, on the West coast while prospecting. Then the case of John Beaven charged with (1) killing a steer and (2) stealing the same. In this case His Lordship said that it was necessary that a matter of this kind should be carefully considered by both grand and petit jurors, so that the protection of the law should be placed over cattle running at large, which are sufficiently marked to show to whom they belong. His Lordship spoke strongly against the principle of justices of the peace taking upon themselves the duty of supreme court judges in admitting to bail men charged with a serious crime like cattle stealing. The sum of $1000 bail in a case of that nature was not much more than straw bail. He did not wish it to be thought for a moment that he was casting the slightest imputation on the honorable gentlemen who admitted Beaven to bail, for his remarks only applied to the principle of the justices taking upon themselves the responsibility of admitting persons charged with serious offences to bail. The case of Samuel Brightman was a part of that against John Beaven.

In the case of Qumlet His Lordship asked the grand jury to dismiss all preconcerted opinions in regard to the murder of Miller and Dring and be guided by the evidence produced before them. He had granted a change of venue in the case because he thought the jurors would have a better knowledge of the natural evidence that would be introduced into this case. They would know the distances, tides and currents and be so much better judges of the distances, etc., than strangers.

His Lordship concluded by stating that it would be tautology on his part to define the general powers of grand juries, for he recognized a number of the present grand jurors as being on previous grand juries and therefore fully versed in their duties and powers.

The grand jury then retired, and after a short absence brought in a true bill against Alexander Ross, a half-breed youth, for an abominable and unmentionable crime. The accused was placed in the dock and pleaded guilty. His Lordship reserved judgment.

The grand jury also brought in a true bill in the case of Pontless or Portless, charged with intimidating and threatening certain witnesses in the case of the Queen *vs.* Qumlet, for murder. On the accused being called she failed to answer to her bail, which had been placed at $200, herself in $100 and two sureties of $50 each.

Portless, appearing in the courthouse a few minutes after her name had been called, was placed in the dock.

On the indictment being read the prisoner, through the interpreter (Constable Flewin) pleaded not guilty.

Mr. C. Wilson conducted the case for the crown, but the prisoner was undefended.

At the conclusion of the evidence of Seppel-hollow, Mr. Theo. Davie, Q. C., counsel for Qumlet, entered the court and applied for a stay of proceedings in the case of Portless on the ground that it would have prejudicially affected the Qumlet case, the defence in which was that these witnesses had not told the truth and that the evidence was the result of a conspiracy, also that in case this jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and if he should afterwards succeed in breaking down the same witnesses, any of the present jury, who might be on the Qumlet case would have to stultify themselves. Further, if the present jurymen were taken from the panel a jury might not be obtained from the diminished panel.

Mr. Wilson contended for the Crown that the evidence and verdict in the Portless case could not in any result prejudice the case for or against Qumlet.

His Lordship concurred in this view, but as it would materially reduce the panel of jurymen, he would adjourn the further hearing of this charge, until after the case of Qumlet had been heard.

The jury were allowed to separate after receiving the usual caution.

The grand jury then brought in a "true bill" against Tom and Charley for attempting to shoot Cox and Martin on the West coast.

The crown not wishing to go on with the case against Tom and Charley at present, the court then adjourned.

MARINE.

Steamship Parthia arrived at Yokahama on the 1st instant.

Steamer Sardonyx is advertised to leave for Portland on Saturday.

Ship Cumberland should complete her cargo of Nanaimo coal by Saturday.

Bark Annie Johnson, Hall, 997 tons, sailed from San Francisco for this port on Monday.

Bark California cleared for Victoria at San Francisco on Monday and probably sailed the next day.

Ship St. Paul, with 2950 tons of Wellington coal, cleared at Nanaimo on Tuesday for San Francisco.

Bark George was towed to Moodyville last night by the tug Pilot where she will take a cargo of lumber for China.

Steamer Idaho is overdue from Portland on her way north. It is thought she is bar bound on the Columbia river.

Collier Southern California completed her cargo of 1900 tons of Wellington coal on Tuesday night and left for San Diego yesterday morning.

Bark Vikar was floated out of the drydock yesterday morning and will be towed to Hastings mills to-morrow morning to load lumber for Melbourne.

Br ship Wendur, which arrived at Port Townsend on Monday, created considerable interest as she is the first vessel with yards on her four masts that has entered Puget Sound.

Bol. bark Don Nicholas, arrived in Royal Roads early yesterday morning from San Francisco. The tug Pilot went out at noon and brought her to the outer wharf where she will discharge 2,000 bales of hay, after which she will proceed to Nanaimo and discharge grain and hay. The Don Nicholas will load lumber at Chemainus for Ensenada, Mexico.

T. N. HIBBEN & Co. carry the Franklin edition of 60 cent books that will compare favorably with any other similar priced works in the market. The following well-known books are to be found among them: Longfellow and Bryant's poems, Pilgrim's Progress, Rob Roy, Æsop's Fables, and many other equally popular works. *

How a Gull Opens Clams.

"I had a very singular experience last Sunday," said a tradesman, whose shop in Oakland is adorned by the sign, "Ornithological Rarities," but who, on a pinch, would sell a dog or a rabbit. "I was walking on the beach, not very far from the Cliff house, and I had just noticed that an usually large number of sea gulls were flying over the sands, when a hard substance struck me violently upon the head and staggered me. Luckily my hat was very thick and I am blessed with a tolerably solid skull. So I soon recovered myself, and I was looking about to ascertain what had hit me, when I was greatly startled by a weird and ghostly fluttering of wings a foot above me. A great gray gull had narrowly escaped alighting upon my shoulders. He just succeeded in checking his impetuous descent as his feet almost touched me. With a queer kind of half frightened cry he was again into the air. But what had brought him so close to me? I soon found out. Lying on the sand was the thing that had given me that blow upon the head. It was a large black mussel, and the sea gull had dropped it from a dizzy height upon my unoffending scalp.

I have studied the habits of these birds pretty carefully, and I know very well why he had done it. He was trying to get at his dinner, and as the shell of the mussel was still unbroken, and I wished to see him try again, I walked a couple of hundred yards away and then turned to watch his movements. Seeing that the coast was clear, he quickly flew back to the place where the mussel had fallen, seized it in his beak and, again rising high into the air, he let it drop. He followed it closely as it fell, keeping almost beside it during the greater part of the descent, and only moderating his downward rush when he was in danger of dashing himself upon the beach. The mussel struck the sand, but the shell was still unbroken, and, indeed, it was very evident to me that the soft ground that received it would never lay it open. Then I flung the mussel to a distance, and the gull, seeming to take this as a hint that my head was not a chopping block, seized his troublesome delicacy and flew away. I saw him turn a little inland, rise once more to a great height, dart swiftly down and then wing his way out to sea. I found that many stones lay at the place of his last descent; so, doubtless, his perseverance was at length rewarded, and he had gone off to some lonely rock to dine."—San Francisco Examiner.

A Buried City.

That one of the greatest of all of the cities built by the Buddhists in the east should have been forgotten and lost in the depths of a trackless forest for 1,000 years is a fact that lays a powerful hold on the imagination. Readers of Mr. Ferguson and Sir Emerson Tennent have heard something of the architectural wonders of Anuradhapura, the ancient "city of granite," in the island of Ceylon, and of the unparalleled immunity of its structures and rich monumental remains from the ravages of the spoiler and the religious fanatic.

Since they wrote great progress has been made in the way of clearing the jungle. Mr. Burrows, who has lately visited the city, gives in Macmillan's Magazine a remarkable account of the progress made in local archæological researches since this marvelous record of the past was accidentally rediscovered. The ruins at present disclosed are described as already extending for a distance of at least four miles by two and a half. The wonderful Cingalese palace, supposed to have been built about the commencement of the Christian era, of which Mr. Burrows gives an elaborate description, was discovered only last year. So far the clearings and excavations are stated to yield results which entirely agree with the most authentic account extant from an eye witness of ancient Anuradhapura—the Chinese traveler, Fa Hian, who visited it in the early part of the Fifth century.—Chicago Times.

Basket Work of the Indians.

The annual report of the National museum for 1884 contains several interesting ethnological papers. Professor O. T. Mason gives a sketch of the basketry of North American aborigines, which is amply illustrated with drawings of specimens and enlarged portions of the basket work, in order to illustrate exactly the manner of weaving. Mason discusses the methods in use all along the coast of western America from the Arctic ocean to California, in the interior, and among the tribes of the Atlantic coast, and distinguishes three types of basketry, which he calls the twined, the coiled and the woven ones. The first is most frequently found on the northwest coast. Coiled basket work is almost exclusively used by the northern Tinne and by the Apache, while many tribes apply all methods of manufacture. A great difficulty in determining the area of characteristic forms is encountered through the deficiency of the methods of many collectors, and the fragmentary state of collections; many specimens which are seemingly characteristic of one tribe having in reality a far wider distribution, while other characteristic types are wanting in the collections.—Science.

A Unique and Famous Pearl.

No explanation ever has been, or ever will be, forthcoming of the extraordinary freak of nature in the formation of the famous pearl known as the southern cross. Originally discovered at Roeburn, in western Australia, it consists of nine pearls adhering together in the form of a Latin cross, seven in the shaft and two in the arms, one on each side of the shaft, nearly opposite the second pearl from the top. The pearls are slightly compressed, like peas in a pod, and no trace of any artificial junction can be observed. It has been suggested that a fragment of sea weed may have got into the shell and formed the frame of the construction. The pearls are of fine quality, though slightly misshapen at parts, and the value of the gem is very high. Its character is unique, and so filled the owner—an Irishman named Kelley—with superstitious awe that for a long time he was induced to hide it away and keep his possession of it a secret.—Boston Transcript.

Better than Doctors' Stuff.

The doctors may all talk, and they may blow and say they can cure this and cure that, but when it comes to telling anything about a man's stomach they're not there. I have come to the conclusion that the less medicine a man puts into his stomach the better for himself. Since I have quit taking medicine I have been all right. If I had kept on putting an apothecary shop under my vest I might now be out where the birds are singing and the leaves are rustling. The best medicine for a man is a good, healthy meal. That's what I am taking now. It beats pills, and it knocks teaspoon and tablespoonfuls of nauseating stuff higher than Gilderoy's kite.—Globe-Democrat.

A Japanese Legend.

The Japanese have a legend that fish are the embodiment of the souls of naval officers, and the African negroes believe that magicians assume the shape of fish and come to their nets to work evil.

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